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Mr. T. O'Connor Sloane, III, Editor,  
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277 Park Avenue,  
New York, N.Y. 10017.

Re: Estate of Allen W. Dulles

Dear Mr. Sloane:

Your letter of March 2, 1970 to Mr. Curtis  
Pierce of this office has been referred to me in Mr.  
Pierce's absence.

At the time of Mr. Dulles's death, many of the  
papers in his possession were turned over to the Government  
for determination of whether such papers contained classified  
information.

In close cooperation with Federal authorities, we  
are currently cataloging Mr. Dulles's papers to determine  
which documents will be surrendered to the Government and  
which will be retained by the Estate for eventual distri-  
bution to beneficiaries under Mr. Dulles's Will. Until  
all of Mr. Dulles's papers have been cataloged, and a  
determination made as to their appropriate distribution,  
we cannot release any of his papers.

When the determination set forth above has been  
made, we will be pleased to discuss with you the possibility  
of commercial publication.

Sincerely yours,

Louis F. Comus, Jr.

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